

**Frank Tierolff passed away**

Frank Tierolff, chair of the board of Kadaster, the Netherlands' Cadastre, Land Registry and Mapping Agency, sadly passed away on Wednesday the 2<sup>nd</sup> of July, following a heart attack. He was only 57 years old. We are shocked by this turn of events and our thoughts go to his family.

**Visionary and compassionate**

Frank has been working at Kadaster for over 32 years. He once started as an intern and worked in many different departments within the organisation. He has held positions as a director and has been a member of the board for 10 years, of which 5 years as chair. For many, Frank embodied Kadaster. He was widely respected and known for his in-depth knowledge, clear vision, and decisiveness. Moreover, his humanity, humour and compassion were well-known characteristics of Frank to all who had the pleasure of knowing him. He will be greatly missed.

**International impact**

Frank clearly advocated for international collaboration. He sincerely believed in the power of land rights and geospatial information for good. He took great joy to work and learn with kindred spirits around the world to make a lasting impact. Particularly noteworthy is his work for the United Nations Global Geospatial Information Management (UN-GGIM) initiative. He chaired the Europe region until his passing. His drive to accelerate developments that make a difference in people's everyday lives will not be forgotten.

You are invited to send your condolences by email to [Kadaster.international@kadaster.nl](mailto:Kadaster.international@kadaster.nl).

